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SUBJ: ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

REF: CSAF TELEGRAM 1587 DATED 3/13/75

1. EMBASSY REPORTED TO DEPARTMENT OF STATE IN TELEGRAM 1684
DECEMBER 28, 1973, RECEIPT OF GOTT NOTE STATING THAT THE
WAIVER OF PASSPORTS FORMERLY ENJOYED BY UNITED STATES
CITIZENS AND ALIEN RESIDENTS HAD BEEN WITHDRAWN, AND
THAT EFFECTIVE JANUARY 6, 1974, SUCH PERSONS ARRIVING
IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO MUST BE IN POSSESSION OF VALID
PASSPORTS.

2. OUR TELEGRAM 846 OF APRIL 11, 1974, REPORTED THAT THAT
REQUIREMENT BEING ENFORCED ONLY AS OF APRIL 16, 1974.

3. ONLY EXCEPTION TO PASSPORT REQUIREMENT RELATES TO MEM-
BERS OF US FORCES. EMBASSY EXPLORING THAT POINT WITH
GOTT AUTHORITIES, AND IT APPEARS THAT THAT EXCEPTION
WOULD APPLY ONLY IF SUCH MEMBERS BEING BROUGHT TO
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO ON MATTERS PERTAINING TO US-
TRINIDAD BASES AGREEMENT. WITH CLOSURE OF US BASE
HERE SEVERAL YEARS AGO, SUCH TRAVEL WOULD PRESUM-
ABLY NO LONGER BE REQUIRED. WILL REPORT RESULTS OF
DISCUSSIONS IN THIS REGARD, SINCE SOME RECENT US MILITARY
TRAVELERS WITHOUT PASSPORTS HAVE EXPERIENCED DIFFICULTIES.
IT WOULD PROBABLY BE PRUDENT FOR ALL MILITARY TRAVELERS
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TO TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO TO CARRY PASSPORTS UNTIL AND UNLESS WE

CAN OBTAIN CLEARER ASSURANCES FROM THE GOTR RE MILITARY TRAVEL.
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